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Information **ALERT**

Ecstasy

MDMA – 3,4-Methylenedioxyamphetamine

There has been a sharp rise in the incidents of ecstasy use in our middle schools and high schools in the past year, ranging from sales on school campuses to the use/abuse on campuses. There are many examples of schools having to call the paramedics for students passed out at school.



It is essential that school administrators understand the danger involved in ecstasy use. Ecstasy has become readily available at about \$10 per pill. Ecstasy is a “club drug” and feelings felt by users are heightened perception to texture, touch, and sound and often times results in increased sexual activity which can also result in unsafe sex.

ACTION

The Los Angeles Unified School District Office of School Operations encourages that schools refer to Bulletin 3277.1 for district policy on students caught in possession of, using and/or selling drugs. Schools should also continue to implement the drug prevention education curriculums provided by the Health Education Programs Office (Title IV Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities) at (213) 241-3510 for grades K-12 which offer lessons dealing with refusal skills/ peer pressure, choices and consequences, and understanding the importance of respecting boundaries.

These curriculums are as follows: Too Good For Drugs (K-6), Project Alert (7), Second Step (K-8), Project Towards No Drug Abuse (9).

REFERENCES

Bulletin 3277.1 – Preventive Measures and Mandatory Procedures for Students Who Violate Laws Regarding Drugs, Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Intoxicants

It is recommended that those people who are trained in IMPACT continue to utilize the IMPACT ATOD curriculum to help those students who are engaged in experimental drug use, such as Ecstasy.

The Health Education Programs Office is updating its website, schoolsafety.lausd.net to offer resources to staff, parents, and students. Speakers are available for this school year to provide presentations on drug-related information. Please call the office at (213) 241-3510 if you would like some assistance.

Schools should contact their Local District Organizational Facilitators for resources available to provide drug prevention/intervention groups on campus. Many of the school counselors have been trained in drug-prevention education and have the appropriate certificates to conduct groups to assist those students using.